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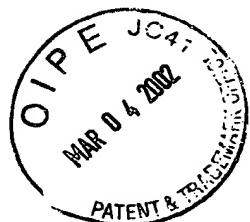
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In re application of: Gerd SCHOENWOLF et al.

DOCKET NO: P98,2881

Serial No: 09/282,145

GROUP ART UNIT: 2172

Filed: March 31, 1999

EXAMINER: J. Corrielus

For: DATABASE FOR PERSISTENT DATA

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.  
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CLAIMS AS AMENDED							
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	* 14	MINUS	** 20	-0-	( ) X 9.00 ( ) X 18.00		
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 02	MINUS	** 03	-0-	( ) X 40.00 (X) X 80.00		
Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				( ) YES (X) NO	( ) \$135.00 ( ) \$270.00 ONE TIME		
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT		NONE	

\* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

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Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend this time for response to the Office Action dated \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_ month(s) so that the period for response is extended to \_\_\_\_\_. A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is attached to cover the cost of the extension.

A check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed to cover the cost of \_\_\_\_ extra independent claim.

A check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ accompanying IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(c) is attached

A check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and Petition for Consideration of IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(d) is attached.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to account No. 50-1519. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

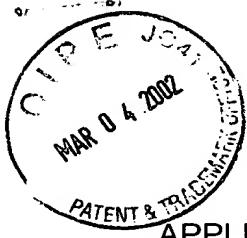
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AMENDMENT B

APPLICANT: Schoenwolf, et al. DOCKET NO: P98,2881  
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Dear Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the non-final Office Action dated November 23, 2001.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 3 and 4 as indicated by the following replacement claims, referring to the Appendix for mark-ups.

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1. (Twice amended) A data base for storing persistent data, comprising:  
a buffer into which is written persistent data to be permanently stored;  
a permanent memory connected to the buffer, the permanent memory having at  
least two storage units, into which the persistent data is alternately written, each storage  
unit being structured to store a complete permanent configuration for at least one of:  
a) functions,  
b) characteristics and,  
20 c) a hardware implementation,  
of a terminal or cards of the terminal,  
at least one of the permanent configurations stored having a complete  
configuration available and being selected for hardware implementation.

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